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The weekly notices of OAKHAM METHODIST CHURCH

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A m wil		Two Weeks`Diary		
April Sun 21 st		Mrs Audrey Hensman, tea & coffee, S Club OMC AGM follows the Service (DH)		
Tues 23 rd	7.30pm	Fair Trade Forum AGM	(DH)	
Wed 24 th	2.00pm 7.30pm	Graham Reeve Memorial Service Bowls	(WH) (DH)	
Thurs 25 th	10.00am	Moving Together Prayers on Thursday Let's Talk (see opposite)	(DH) (WH) (DH)	
Fri 26 th				
Sun 28 th	10.45am	Rev Bekkie Wright, Communion, tea & coffee		
May Wed 1 st		Art Group Rutland Junior Strings Bowls	(DH) (WH) (DH)	
Thurs 2 nd	10.00am	Moving Together Prayers on Thursday Ecumenical Prayers at OMC	(DH) (WH)	
Fri 3 rd				
Sun 5 th	10.45am	Rev Paul Cockburn, tea & coffee		

The flowers for 28 April have been given by Mavis Hyde in memory of Husband Charles and Son Gary, arranged by Angela Wilks

It is with great sadness we have learnt that Joyce Hearn passed away peacefully at Rutland Care Village on 18 April, the day after her birthday. Joyce was one of our Local Preachers, taking on that mantle some 30 years ago following the death of husband Rev Ken Hearn, our Minister in a car accident. We remember Joyce's wise council and happy, straight forward approach to life. She will be greatly missed.

Roger R

OMC Treasurer

Please be <u>urgently reminded</u> that as of the AGM on 21 April, OMC will officially cease to have a Treasurer as I terminate my tenure of that Position. The Church **MUST** have a Treasurer therefore Council is seeking someone to continue this vital work. I will fully support my successor until they are comfortable and *au fait* with the system. If you are able to undertake this Role then please contact me at 07808 775794 or <u>rogerrowell.7@gmail.com</u> for a chat about what's involved. I look forward to hearing from you

Thanks, Roger Rowell

Let's Talk – Ladies, our next meeting on *Thursday 25 April* at 10.45am will include your "Memorable Sayings" from your family, friends, radio or TV. Jot them down over the next two weeks, ready to share with some laughs (or groans)! Pat will lead this meeting.

On 9 May we will have Part 2 of our last theme "Working lives / careers" as we ran out of time for all to take part

Ruth

Ecumenical Prayers Thursday at One - for May and June the prayers will move from the Baptist Church to be at Oakham Methodist Church, starting on Thursday May 2nd at 1pm. The prayer sessions are usually around 30 minutes and it would be good to see it well supported by our Church family.

Logan P

Thank you to all those who provide & serve 'After Church Coffee'. Approximately £300 has been raised for a variety of charities & Church funds since Christmas. Please sign up on the new rota in the Deans Hall if you are able. Thank you, Joyce T

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Circuit Monthly Newsletter – if you are able to send a short prayer to Rowan at Circuit for the Newsletter on a rota, please talk to a Steward

Future Dates for Your Information

Circuit Farm Weekend 18/19 May – see the poster in the foyer for full details of the weekend. Please let Adrian know if you can help with car parking for the Saturday and / or Sunday for just an hour or so either day

Friday 24 May, Bourne MC, Wesley Day Celebration – singing some Charles Wesley hymns, readings and poetry. Offering taken for MHA

settled on this date for our Annual Gift Day: it is an extra opportunity to help support OMC's commitments. Bekkie is leading worship on that morning with Communion and after the service Logan will be cooking a roast dinner. We will obviously need numbers for that so there will be a list in the vestibule on the 12th of May (there is no service at our Church on Sunday 19th May) to put your name down if you would like to stay for the lunch. There is no fixed cost but a donation in the form of a brown bank note would be appreciated. The preferred method for your Gift Day Donation is by direct credit to OMC's bank account but a cheque or bank notes (no coins please) can be used. Full details given in Northgate for 19 & 26 May

Treasurer Roger R

The next Northgate will be produced *for 5 & 12 May.*Any items for inclusion should be with Roger Rowell by 6pm Wed 1 May at rogerrowell.7@gmail.com or 07808 775794